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DE3531487 (item 21) is in German and corresponds to GB2163747A (item 20).

DE4219390 (item 21) is in German and provides oral pantaprazole.

EP166287A1 (item 24) is in German and corresponds to U.S. Patent No.
4,758,579 (item 3).

EP519365A1 (item 48) is in German and corresponds to U.S. Patent No.
5,997,903 (item 12).

WO 92/22284 (item 52) is in German and provides oral administration forms of
pantaprazole consisting of a core, an intermediate layer and a gastric juice resistant outer
layer.

WO 96/023500 (item 68) is in Spanish. This describes benzimidazole
formulations having a nucleus onto which is the active is applied.

WO 99/06027 (item 73) is in German and describes pellet-type pharmaceuticals for
oral administration containing aminosalicic acid in its core and an enteric coating.


WO 98/000115 (item 81) is in German and provides a composition for oral
administration having a core which may contain a proton pump inhibitor such as
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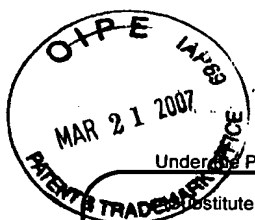
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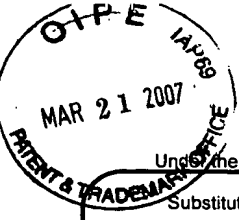
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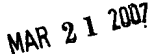
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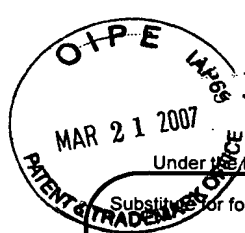
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